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WOMEN'S VOICES: Are You Registered To Vote?



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A BIG "thank you" to everyone whose work made Equal Voices Women's Summit so successful—especially the women who donated their skill, wisdom and time to be presenters! (See page 2 for photos).

Thanks also go to: The Center for Women and Families who graciously provide their participation and act as fiscal agent for the event; and to Autumn Brents whose fall internship began just in time to help out at the Summit.

We have compiled some of the feedback from the event. Here are the top issues of importance to women, identified by attendees:

- (69%) Economic Well -Being
- (59%) Developing Leadership & Community Participation
- (52%) Violence Against Women
- (52%) Improving Women's Health

We appreciate those of you who offered to help with planning the next Summit. Expect to hear from us before October. October 9, 2012 is the deadline to register if to vote in the November general election.

There are several resources to help you find information about registering to vote, finding the correct location to vote on election day, and knowing what identification is needed when you go to cast your ballot.

Louisville Jefferson County Election Center is online. To find your polling location, click this link to go to "Where Do I Vote". At the bottom of the page are lists of candidates.

- Want to see a sample ballot?
- Want to check your voter registration?
- Map your voting location?
- If you are registered, does your address match your I.D.?

You can do all of that at the <u>Kentucky State</u>
<u>Board of Elections Center</u>. Enter your name and date of birth.

While you are thinking about voting—Visit the <u>League of Women Voters of Louisville</u>. The current focus of the Louisville league's priorities and issues are posted on their site.

Equal Voices Presenters: Thank You!

- Eleanor Jordan, Executive Director of the Kentucky Commission on Women for her opening remarks. Eleanor shared her thoughts on the status of women and women's issues in Kentucky, from health, to voting, to examples of the messages our culture sends about the role of girls and women.
- Kathy Paulin and the Mary Byron Project for coordinating Voices of Survivors. The women who told their stories for their courage and generosity. Thanks also to their guests who stand with victims going becoming survivors.
- Mary A. Johnson, MPH, (Univ. of Kentucky Center for the Advancement of Women's Health) for presenting What We Are Learning—From Women Like You. Mary shared how the Registry works to fill knowledge gaps about Kentucky women's health.
- Dr. Hope Zoeller, HOPE (Helping Other People Excel) for sharing advice on how women can career coach themselves. Hope is an accomplished career coach, instructor, consultant and businesswoman.
- Sharon LaRue, Director of PEACC Program, University of Louisville for taking time away from planning Week without Violence and

- Take Back The Night to coordinate the interactive workshop, **Walking In her Shoes**.
- Kathleen Kelly and Khalilah Collins from the Center for Women and Families for presenting on their Community Violence Prevention work. Kathleen is an expert on Green Dot and the Prevention Coordinator. Khalilah is the PACT in Action Project Manager.
- Catherine Chapman, Junior League of Louisville and Nancy Warfield, Brown-Forman, for their discussion of Successful Networking and Mentorship. Both Catherine and Nancy have a passion and experience for getting women involved in helping women.
- Melissa Edlin, State Coordinator, Sexual
 Assault Nurse Examiner Program, University of
 Louisville, and Eddie Farry, Law Enforcement
 Instructor at Ky Department of Criminal Justice
 for the training "Impact of Fear on Memory,"
 an amazing & enlightening experience.
- Kristin Burgoyne, Programs Director, Americana Community Center and co-chair of
 CIVIC, for moderating the after lunch session
 on unmet needs of immigrant and refugee
 women in our community, particularly victims of
 intimate violence.

Some Community Event Highlights:

Mary Byron Project—Online Auction Now live!

<u>Bunbury Theatre—Driving Miss Daisy</u>

Women's Business Center—Small Biz University

Take Back The Night—at the Red Barn, UofL

Men's March & other related events

Family Scholar House **Annual Luncheon**

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